had supplied polyester chips valued at Rs. 4 crore to M/s JBF Industries Ltd., Mumbai in 1996, on credit;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof, including the terms and conditions of the credit;

(c) whether the outstanding dues have since been recovered;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government have since fixed up the responsibility in this case; and

(f) if so, the detail thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) to (f) The Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (IPCL) had, during April- July, 1996, supplied Polyester Chips valued at Rs. 3.90 crore to JBF Industries, Mumbai, on credit against the co-lateral security of shares and against advance cheques. The party, to whom the said sale on credit was made, defaulted in payment. IPCL has filed a Criminal case against the party on account of dishonouring of cheques as also a civil Recovery Suit against the said party. The cases are pending before the concerned Courts of Law. The Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG), in the report for the year 2000, has included a paragraph on this subject, which is receiving Government's attention.

Policy for Payment of Subsidy

† 2798. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any Government conditions and policy regarding the subsidy being given on urea and other fertilizer products to public sector and private sector in the country;

(b) what are the details of subsidy given to private and public sector plants during the last three years, separately, and the amount of subsidy, plant-wise, disbursed;

(c) whether Government have recently taken any decision to discontinue the subsidy or to recover it; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) if so, what are the factual details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) All existing urea manufacturing units are eligible for subsidy under the Retention price-cum-Subsidy Scheme introduced by the Government in November, 1977. Apart from subsidy on urea, Central Government provides concession on decontrolled phosphatic and potassic fertilizers under the Concession Scheme.

(b) The details of subsidy disbursed to private and public sector plants during the last three years are given in the enclosed Statement. *(See* below)

(c) and (d) The Government has not taken any decision as on date to discontinue the subsidy. However, the Government is seized of the matter relating to recovery of subsidy from some urea manufacturing units on account of under statement of their capacities and has recently appointed of Committee of Experts under the Chairmanship of Dr. Y.K. Alagh to address to the total issue of reassessment of capacity. Recovery of subsidy from concerned units will depend on the report of Dr. Alagh Committee and the Government's decision thereon.

Statement

Sectorwise-Unitwise payments of Subsidy for the last three years

(Amount in Rs.)

Urea Units	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Co-Operative-Sector			
IFFCO,Aonla-I	1564475718	2642764829	2169236924
IFFCO,Aonla-II(Expn)	2217040123	2988246613	2150145790
IFFCO, Kalol	716779337	1211639671	1472100894
IFFCO, Kandla	34387012		
IFFCO, Phulpur-I	2596881185	8363041664	3729725847
IFFCO, PhuIpur-II(Expn)			5927807448
KRIBHCO.Hazira	1768918249	3676766779	2645916476
Total Co-Operative Sector	8898481624	18882459556	18094933379
Joint Sector			
GNFC, Bharuch	2448547593	2278815795	2012362002

Urea Units	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
GSFC, Baroda	1027049159	1143488106	1563821796
MCFL, Mangalore	1545673107	1849960981	2009936479
SPIC, Tuticorin	3325820234	3521948115	4369006567
Total Joint Sector	8347090093	8794212997	9955126844
Public Sector			
FACT, Udyogamandal	1737302989	1426003416	2255374773
FCI, Ramagundam	778332458	713084654	111882123
FCI, Sindri Modn.	772195881	726918861	1485873985
FCI.Talcher	759676030	397959316	89575562
HFCI, Barauni	220259618	315820843	16507966
HFCI, Durgapur	91165017	12822237	
HFCI, Namrup-I	1080	19103121	405929
HFCI,Namrup-III	144220630	94023029	51976236
MFL, Madras	496197298	1706715292	3210181666
NFL, Bhatinda	2920328401	1883517212	3006141338
NFL, Nangal	1913066809	1436607925	18875450
NFL, Panipat	2280511900	1619638177	2369707090
NFL, Vijaipur	1341451381	1031405436	2191892034
NFL, Vijaipur-II (Expn)	2280970823	2692987109	2663450602
NLC, Ney veli	518310557	639709738	253156403
RCF, Thai	1979775648	3371521789	2699170794
RCF, Trombay-I	582143831	233372333	92540497
RCF, Trombay-V	622343607	534028511	822747344
Total Public Sector	19438253958	18855238999	23121459792
Private Sector			
Chambal Fert., Gadepan-I	4488308032	4502347009	5212324396
Chambal Fert, Gadepan-II			1214974345
Duncans Industries Ltd.	4436673129	5337430512	5338267779
IGFCC, Jagdishpur	2123003652	3720358628	2712413901

Urea Units	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Nagarjuna Fertilizers-I	4180333556	2659821992	3892011341
Nagarjuna Fert.-II (Expn)			3498663321
Oswal Chem. & Ferts. Ltd.	4319751542	3784745602	4093141358
Sriram Fertilizers, Kota	1769613521	2099115097	2223150700
TATA Chem. Ltd.	5329260325	3917095259	4391729908
Zuari Industries Ltd., Goa	2159522156	2074510239	2941598627
Total Private Sector	28806465913	28095424338	35518275676
Total Urea Units	65490291588	74627335890	86689795691
Other than Urea Units			
Public Sector			
PPCL., Amjorc	56511		
PPCL, Amjhore	41741053	8617555	
PPCL, Dehradun	42597570	75601099	
PPL, Paradeep	21627298	1242920	
RSMML	99811903		
SAIL.Rourkela	25503079		
Bokaro Steel Plant	14064804		
Vishakhapatnam Steel Plant	63479		986202
W.B. Mineral Devp.	0	3544399	
Private Sector			
Coromondal Ferts. Ltd.	214535250	10694277	-37464283
Jayshree Chems-I	5489231		
Patel Narayandas Ferts.	1598299		
Sunderban Ferts.	4564287		
Deepak Ferts	5360888		
DMCC Ambernalh	2516034		
Godavari Fertilizers	12819581		
Hindustan Farms	6103331		
HLL Haldia	6429143		

Urea Units	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
E1D PARRY	4826671	6497259	43137991
Total Other then Urea units	509708412	102653110	10204309
GRAND TOTAL	66000000000	747300000	86700000000

Performance of NFL

2799. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the profit, before and after tax, earned by the NFL, dividend and tax paid, its capacity utilization during last five years, year-wise;

(b) the equity capital subscribed by Government and the budgetary support to the company, if any, and subsidy draws during the same period, year-wise;

(c) the details of MOUs between Government and the NFL, if any, during the same period and the corresponding performance of the company;

(d) how does the performance of NFL compare with similar private sector fertilizer companies; and

(e) the reasons for strategic sale of the Company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) and (b) Statement giving the requisi informations is enclosed. *(See* below)

(c) NFL a profitable fertilizer company is required to sign a MOU with the Government on various performance parameters, which *inter-alia* comprise production, consumption efficiency, energy consumption, financial, value added per employees, safety hazard analysis, safety measures & their enforcement, R&D (expenditure) and HRD aspects. A copy of the MOU entered into by the company with the Government is placed on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament annually.

(d) NFL is a multi-unit fertilizer PSU having two comparatively recent gas based plants at Vijaipur (Madhya Pradesh) and three FO/LSHS based old plants at Panipat (Haryana), Nangal & Bhatinda (Punjab). The performance of fertilizer companies differ from Unit-to-unit and even from month-to-month depending upon the health and age of the plant, the feedstock used, the levels